

# THE GREEN SHEET



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## 8th Sunday After Pentecost

July 15, 2018



**“King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known.”**

I suspect that most of us would have mixed feelings about being celebrities.

A 20th century radio comic named Fred Allen once quipped that a celebrity is one who works to be known, then wears dark glasses so as not to be recognized.

Well, most of us can relate. After all, who wants to live under a magnifying glass?

But we are all known in some way by the people around -- our family, our friends, and our community. What will be said of us when we are gone from this life?

In the end, of course, all that really matters is how we are known to God.

Come Sunday, and we'll talk about what it means to Become Known -- as Jesus Followers, and as a community of faith.

**This is a Holy Communion Sunday!**  
**Remember your peanut butter!**  
**Oh, and take this quiz about Holy Communion!**

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**July Worship Series**



Throughout the month of July, we will encounter stories in the gospel readings that focus on the healing power of Jesus, but it is also important to realize that Jesus sent out his disciples to do this work. We are sent to do the same: To bring people to the table of Christ, where grace is offered and received in the breaking of bread and the sharing of the cup.

**July 1: Bring Life** | In Mark 5:21-43, we find a 12-year-old girl has died suddenly, and in a separate event a woman has been suffering for 12 years. Are these stories about living 12 years, dying for the last 12 years, or the importance of faith in both circumstances? Maybe there is something else "hidden" ...

**July 8: Send Forth** | In Mark 6:6b-13, we are reminded the Jesus Followers are sent forth into the world to trust, believe, preach, teach, serve, anoint, and invite people to follow Jesus Christ. How are Meadow Folk sent forth?

**July 15: Become Known** | In Mark 6:13-16, we find people asking questions about Jesus' identity, saying, "Isn't this guy the carpenter, Mary's son, the brother of James, Joses, Judah, and Simon? Where does he get off saying these things?" He and John the Baptist had both become known -- in a positive, as well as a negative sense. How are we known at Green Meadow?

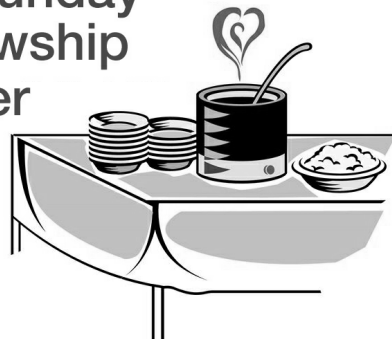
**July 22: Guest Preacher** | The Rev. Bob Hayes will be bringing the message on this Sunday.

**July 29: Feed the World | 5th Sunday Dinner:** In John 6:1-14, the writer drives home the fact that Jesus truly feeds the world. The world is hungry for food, shelter, love, and healing. How can a little bit of food feed thousands of people? What else is the world hungry for? How can we serve our community as Jesus served?

**SUMMER CHALLENGE: Be Intentionally Inviting!**

During the month of July, why not make it a point to invite 10 others to worship at Green Meadow UMC during the month of July? There's always room for one more at the Table.

**5th Sunday Fellowship Dinner**



**5th Sunday Dinners Begin July 29**

It's often been said that we do not get together enough as a community. We're going to work on that by scheduling **5th Sunday Dinners**. So, get out your calendars and look for the **5th Sunday of every month**. Mark it, and make something for a potluck dinner following worship. **Our first is Sunday, July 29!**

**A Note From the Pastor ...**

If you have an urgent need to reach Pastor Buzz, please call the parsonage land line first: 865-980-8022 -- especially during overnight hours. At less-urgent times -- or if he does not respond to a call at the parsonage -- call his cell at 865-386-8892.

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### MEADOW FOLK IN MISSION



**Strength for the Journey Hands-On Mission Project:** Since 1997, Holston Conference has offered compassion and love to those living with HIV and AIDS through Strength for the Journey Retreats. This year's retreat will be held Sept. 10-14 at Wa-Floy Mountain Retreat in Gatlinburg. Green Meadow has been asked to pack "goodie bags" that include shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, body soap, chapstick, nail clippers, a small pack of tissue and a comb. **We will bless these bags during worship on Sunday, Aug. 26.** For more information, contact [Ginny West Case](#).



**July 15-22, 2018**

**Host Church:** Beech Grove Baptist Church

**Support Church:** Alcoa First United Methodist Church

**Serving: 3 families: 5 adults and 5 children**

**Upcoming Green Meadow UMC Support Weeks:** August 12-19 and November 25-December 2. Host Church is Madison Avenue Baptist Church.

#### **A Note from Family Promise of Blount County's Executive Director:**

Our year is nearly half over and we have weathered some storms. So many of you have stepped to fill in the holes left by exiting churches. Families have even slept at the day center so that we could provide for their needs.

I have been very proactive in trying to add new host congregations to our network but for one reason or another, I have had no commitments. And so now I am coming to you once again; you who have served so faithfully, you who continue to go the extra mile, you who are so passionate about homeless families in our community. I come with a desperate plea for help to house our families in August. **We still have 2 open weeks and they have nowhere to go.** Housing them in hotels is very challenging due to bus schedules and meals but as a last resort we will be forced to do that. Housing them in your church is such a better option.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for ALL you do, have done and continue to do for our families. If there is any way your church could pick up even 3 or 4 days, that would be a blessing.

Kathi Parkins

We have partnered with [Family Promise of Blount County](#), a ministry to homeless families in Blount County, since its inception and we also respond to emergency assistance

needs through the use of our Sandal Fund, into which we deposit any offerings left at the altar rail during Holy Communion.

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## Here's a job opening we're aware of ...

### **Office Manager, Part-Time Year Round, Townsend, Tennessee.**

Camp Wesley Woods, has an opportunity for an Office Manager.

Primary responsibilities include payroll administration, billing, and payables.

Other tasks include administrative tasks including office communications, ordering office supplies, some answering phone calls and customer inquiries and camper/group registration and other office related tasks.

**Education Required:** High school diploma or equivalent.

**Experience Required:** Office experience.

**Preferred:** Book keeping, QuickBooks

**Schedule:** Typical schedule is 10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday. Some weekends (especially but not limited to summer camp programs) may be scheduled.

Apply to [director@campwesleywoods.com](mailto:director@campwesleywoods.com).

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**Purpose of United Methodist Women:** The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God, to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ, to develop a creative supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of participation in the global ministries of the church.

These programs offer opportunities to experience hands-on mission projects with others as well as chances to learn, think, live, and give more deeply and joyfully in the "Kingdom" of God.

Meetings are held 6 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday, with the exception of October when UMW leads worship.

- **July 17:** *The Sacred Space of Community*, led by Kay Dillard at Parkview.
- **August 21:** *The Sacred Space of Rest and Self-Care*, led by Martha Collins at Green Meadow. Care bags will be packed for Strength for the Journey participants.
- **September 18:** *Creation: A Sacred Encounter With God*, led by Carol Green at her home.
- **October 14:** *UMW Sunday*, with a message brought by Lisa Blackwood of Good Neighbors of Blount County
- **November 20:** *World Thank: The Sacred Space of Sharon Food*, led by Susan Daffron at church.
- **December 18:** *Pledge to Mission Service*, led by Susan Daffron at her home.

## The Circle of Prayer

If you have prayer requests that you would like included in this Circle of Prayer, please write it down and place it in the offering plate, or [email it to Pastor Buzz](mailto:pastorbuzz). If you have

updates -- removals, additions, corrections -- on anyone on this list, please email him as well. Thanks to the Prayer Scribes who help Pastor Buzz keep this list current!

- Each day at 2:23 p.m., until Feb. 26, you are asked to stop and pray for delegates to the 2019 General Conference and The United Methodist Church. The Conference will be held Feb. 23-26.
- For Our World, Its People and Leaders
- For the Church and Its Leaders
- Prayer for Those in Our Circle of Responsibility
- Prayer for Ourselves
- The Rev. Dr. Yunho Eo, pastor at Laurel Hill United Methodist Church, and his wife Millie. (Laurel Hill UMC is the home church of Sheree Gostel, Pastor Buzz's sister.)
- Ron Gray, Pastor Buzz's nephew-in-law, who is recovering from surgery to repair a detached retina. He is still in pain and has yet to regain his sight.
- Bob Perrenoud as he travels cross country (Donna Trexler's father)
- Terri Geisler, that the injections for her back will work
- Vic Clark and family as he recovers from a heart attack
- For Glenda Eastridge and Ginny West Case as they prepare for Mission U.
- Karen Cassidy, Dianne Scent's sister, who is suffering from back problems
- Praise that the Philippine missionaries have been released!
- Praise that the Thai soccer team members were rescued, but prayers for the family of the rescuer who was lost
- Dan Seaman and Dave Hickey, former colleagues of Pastor Buzz's, and John Geisler, as they battle Parkinson's.
- Michael West, who is journeying by bicycle
- For children who have been abused, that they would break the cycle of abuse
- Immigrant families who have been separated; for congressional action on immigration; and for other nations to resolve internal issues that causes their people to flee
- Barbara and Charlie Barton
- Pat Ross, who is in hospice, and family
- Crissy Householder who is undergoing chemo, and will later undergo radiation treatment as well.
- Ronnie and Judy Presley
- Victoria Presley
- Kathy Kimbro
- Karen Katcham's newborn premie, KadiAnn, who is in NICU.
- Mark Nicholas, pancreatic cancer
- The families of the 278th, Army National Guard
- Brenda and Harry Ailey, who are struggling
- Teresa O'Mary, who is seeking direction on her next job
- Jared Crain, a 21-year-old with Hodgkin's lymphoma
- Becky Waugh and her work
- A young man named Michael, who is battling AIDS
- Mary Abbott, who is battling cancer